IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/586,024

Applicant(s) : Matthew T. Pretz, et al.

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Title : Process for the Preparation of Hydrogenated Hydrocarbon Compounds

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Sir:

AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.111 AND PETITION FOR EXTENTION OF TIME TO RESPOND

This is in response to the Office Action dated 24 October 2008. Please amend the application as described below and reconsider the claims in view of the arguments and amendments presented. Applicant petitions the Director of the USPTO to extend the time for reply to the Office Action for two months (i.e. from 01/24/09 until 03/24/09) and authorizes the Office to charge Applicant's deposit account no. 04-1512 all required fees (37 CFR 1.17(a)) associated with the extension. Applicant also files an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) concurrently with the present response. Applicant authorizes the Office to charge Applicant's deposit account no. 04-1512 all required fees (37 CFR 1.17(p)) associated with filing the IDS.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

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